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- Thereas most key questions of Chinese foreign policy, particularly those touching on Chinese-Soviet relationships, are handled on a top-secret basis by high Communist officials and Soviet advisers in Peiping, matters arising from the planned meturn of Port Arthur and Dairen to China are handled in a routine manner by the Chinese Ministry of Foreign Affairs.
- The question of the restitution to China of control of Port Arthur and Dairen, however, is recognized by both the Chinese people as a whole and the Soviet Union as an academic one. Both feel that in 1952, when according to the Sino-Soviet Treaty control of these ports returns to the Chinese, Soviet control over that Government will be so complete as to ensure continued de facto Sovie, use of the ports.
- The Chinese Communist Government has recognized certain non-Soviet-satellite countries and exchanged diplomatic representatives with them in order to point out to the nations of the world that their status as the Government of China is recognized by nations other than those in the Soviet orbit. In addition, they are anxious to develop ties with former colonial countries which are now independent in order to make use of those countries' antiimperialist feelings to build a basis for understanding between Communist China and such countries as Burma, Indonesia and India.

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